

**WEBB COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT  
REGULAR MEETING  
APRIL 9, 2001  
9:00 A.M.**

**01.01-04-157.      CALL TO ORDER BY MERCURIO MARTINEZ, JR.  
INVOCATION  
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**02.01-04-158.      APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**03.01-04-159.      COMMUNICATIONS**

**04.01-04-160.      APPROVAL OF BILLS, PAYROLL AND MONTHLY  
REPORTS**

**05.01-04-161.      PROCLAMATIONS/RESOLUTIONS**

**06.01-04-162.      COURT TO DISCUSS AND ACT ON THE  
FOLLOWING:**

**a.      WEBB COUNTY TREASURER**

**ACTION TO SOLICIT REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS  
FOR THE WEBB COUNTY DEPOSITORY  
CONTRACT FOR A TWO YEAR OR FOUR YEAR  
PERIOD.**

**b.      TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR**

**ACTION TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING REFUNDS:**

**Graham Central Station**

**Reason: Sec. 25.25 Correction of Appraisal Roll**

**Refund: \$947.08**

**Hilltop Farm Ltd.**

**Reason: Double Assessed**

**Refund: \$1,497.22**

**Burlington Coat Factory**

**Reason: Sec. 25.25 Correction of Appraisal Roll/Sec.  
23.12 Inventory Value Only**

**c. Constable Ruben Reyes, Pct. 2**

**ACTION TO APPROVE LINE-ITEM TRANSFER:**

**From: Acct# 001-2503**

<b>6202 (uniforms)</b>	<b>\$141.10</b>
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<b>6403 (repairs maint. of vehicles)</b>	<b><u>220.00</u></b>
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<b>Total</b>	<b>\$361.10</b>
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**TO: ACCT# 001-2503**

<b>6011 (training/education)</b>	<b>\$361.10</b>
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**d. FACILITIES DEPARTMENT**

**ACTION TO APPROVE LINE-ITEM TRANSFER:**

**FROM: ACCT# 001-0109**

<b>6401 (repairs/maint.)</b>	<b>\$2,682</b>
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**TO: ACCT# 001-0106**

<b>6202 (bldg. maint.uniforms)</b>	<b>\$2,682.</b>
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e. **DISTRICT ATTORNEY**

**ACTION TO APPROVE LINE-ITEM TRANSFER:**

**FROM: ACCT# 001-1100**

6022 (prof.services)	\$2,000
6204 (fuel/lube)	1,000
6014 (equip.rental)	<u>1,000</u>
Total	\$4,000

**TO: ACCT# 001-1100**

6402 (repair/maint.equip.)	\$3,000
6010 (books/subscriptions)	<u>1,000</u>
Total	\$4,000

f. **WEBB COUNTY CLERK**

**ACTION TO APPROVE LINE-ITEM TRANSFER**

**FROM: ACCT# 009-1120(County Clerk Records  
Management and Preservation)**

6402 (repairs/maint.)	\$8,500
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**TO: ACCT# 009-1120**

6014 (equipment rental)	\$8,500
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g. **DISTRICT CLERK**

**ACTION TO APPROVE SALARY ADJUSTMENTS  
FOR THE FOLLOWING SLOTS EFFECTIVE APRIL**

**13, 2001(Monies available in General Order and Title IV-D Grant):**

	<b>FROM</b>	<b>TO</b>
<b>SLOT# 299(Deputy Clerk)</b>	<b>\$11.05/ hr.</b>	<b>\$10.50/hr.</b>
<b>SLOT#298 (Deputy Clerk)</b>	<b>\$11.05/hr.</b>	<b>\$11.60/hr.</b>
<b>SLOT# 292(child Support)</b>	<b>\$11.09/hr</b>	<b>\$11.64/hr</b>

**h. WEBB COUNTY ENGINEERING**

**ACTION TO APPROVE THE AMENDMENT TO THE “TARIFF” OF THE WEBB COUNTY’S UTILITIES DEPARTMENT. THE TARIFF’S AMENDMENT INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING CHANGES:**

- 1) Water Utility” to “Utilities Department”**
- 2) Addition of the Drought Contingency Plan - Approved by Commissioner’s Court on August 14, 2000**
- 3) Addition of the Industrial Waste Order - Approved by Commissioners Court on May 22, 2000**
- 4) Water Rates Approved by Commissioner’s Court on March 22, 1999**

**i. PLANNING DEPARTMENT**

**ACTION TO ISSUE/RATIFY “CERTIFICATIONS REGARDING COMPLIANCE WITH PLAT REQUIREMENTS AND THE CONNECTION OF UTILITIES” TO AUTHORIZE UTILITY CONNECTIONS TO THE FOLLOWING PROPERTIES:**

**Connection(s) qualifying under Section 232.029(i), TLGC**

**, Lot 12, Block 1, Colorado Acres Subdivision**

- (electricity-1 dwelling)
- , Tract 19, Unit VII, Ranchos Peñitas West Subdivision (electricity-1 dwelling)
- , Tract 225, Ranchitos Las Lomas II Subdivision (electricity - 1 dwelling)
- , Lot 12, Block 3, Pueblo Nuevo Subdivision (electricity- 1 dwelling)

j. **WEBB COUNTY JUDGE & COMMISSIONERS**

- 1) **ACTION REGARDING THE WEBB COUNTY-CITY OF LAREDO HEALTH DEPARTMENT RABIES ISSUE FOR THE RESIDENTS OF NORTHWEST LAREDO (Requested by Cmsr. Mike Urdiales & Cmsr. Jerry Vasquez).**
- 2) **ACTION REGARDING SALARY ADJUSTMENT FOR SLOT#1708 FROM \$11.51 AN HOUR TO \$13.22 AN HOUR (Requested by Judge M. Martinez, Jr.)**
- 3) **ACTION REGARDING THE CURRENT EMPLOYEE COMPENSATED ABSENCE POLICY FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS WHO REPRESENT OTHER POLITICAL ENTITIES DURING COUNTY WORK HOURS (Requested by Cmsr. Felix Velasquez).**
- 4) **ACTION REGARDING THE CURRENT POLICY AND PROCEDURES FOR THIRD - PARTY FUNDING (Which entities have not yet complied with paper work requirements and the submission of**

**a signed contract with the county- Requested by Cmsr. Felix Velasquez).**

- 5) ACTION TO INCLUDE ONE OR TWO COMMISSIONERS ON THE SCORING COMMITTEE EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 2001 (Cmsr. Felix Velasquez).**
- 6) ACTION REGARDING FUTURE WORKSHOPS WITH STAFF ON THE EFFECTS OF IMPLEMENTING THE “WATER STUDY” RECOMMENDATIONS AND THE TOTAL FISCAL IMPACT TO THE COUNTY’S BUDGET (Requested by Cmsr. Felix Velasquez).**
- 7) ACTION TO ENTER INTO PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT AGREEMENT BETWEEN WEBB COUNTY AND MR. JAMES B. FRANCIS, JR., OF FRANCIS ENTERPRISES, INC. , FOR THE STRATEGIC ADVISORY CAPACITY COVERING ALL MATTERS PERTAINING TO WEBB COUNTY AND THE ISSUANCE OF A PRESIDENTIAL PERMIT FOR THE PLANNED 5<sup>th</sup> INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE COMMENCING ON APRIL 1, 2001 FOR A MINIMUM PERIOD OF SIX MONTHS AT \$12,500 PER MONTH AND ORDERING AS PER V.T.C. A. LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE § 262.024 AN EXEMPTION FROM V.T.C.A. LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE §262.023 (competitive bidding/competitive proposal requirements) AND AUTHORIZING THE**

**COUNTY JUDGE TO EXECUTE ALL  
RELEVANT DOCUMENTS.**

**07.01-04-163. COURT TO DISCUSS AND ACT ON THE  
FOLLOWING FROM THE RISK MANAGEMENT  
DEPARTMENT:**

- a. ACTION TO AMEND FUND 817 (Transfer in) FROM  
\$600,000 TO \$350,000 TO COVER ADDITIONAL  
ANTICIPATED WORKER'S COMPENSATION  
CLAIMS OF \$250,000.**
  
- b. ACTION TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS  
FOR SAFETY AND HEALTH MONTH TO INCLUDE,  
BUT NOT LIMITED TO:**
  - , Safety & Health Month Calendar of Events**
  - , Safety & Health Month Incentive Program (See  
Purchasing Agent for list)**
  
- c. PRESENTATION FROM THE AMERICAN HEART  
ASSOCIATION.**

**08.01-04-164. COURT TO DISCUSS AND ACT ON THE  
FOLLOWING FROM THE ECONOMIC  
DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT AND  
WELFARE TO WORK DEPARTMENT:**

- a. ACTION TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL  
SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN WEBB**

**COUNTY FOR THE WELFARE TO WORK PROGRAM AND TEXAS A&M INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY THROUGH THE TEXAS CENTER FOR BORDER ECONOMIC AND ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT FOR ENTREPRENEURSHIP EDUCATION AND TRAINING FOR WEBB COUNTY'S WELFARE TO WORK POPULATION COMMENCING ON MAY 1, 2001 AND ENDING ON SEPTEMBER 31, 2001, FOR A TOTAL COST NOT TO EXCEED \$22,500 AND ORDERING , AS PER V.T.C.A. LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE §262.024, AN EXEMPTION FROM V.T.C.A. LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE §262.023 (competitive bidding/competitive proposal requirements), AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO EXECUTE ALL RELEVANT DOCUMENTS.**

- b. ACTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING APRIL 2001 AS "FAIR HOUSING MONTH" AND APRIL 16 - 20, 2001 AS "FAIR HOUSING WEEK" AND DESIGNATING WEBB COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY (CAA) AS THE AGENCY RESPONSIBLE FOR MONITORING FAIR HOUSING IN WEBB COUNTY.**
- c. ACTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DESIGNATION OF AN ANNUAL SET ASIDE AS DETERMINED BY THE PREVAILING WEBB COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT IN PREPARATION FOR THE ACQUISITION OF RECREATIONAL UNIQUE/HISTORICAL, AND/OR NATURAL RESOURCES WITHIN WEBB COUNTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF PRESERVATION AND/OR DEVELOPMENT AS RECREATIONAL AREAS.**



- d. ACTION TO AUTHORIZE THE SUBMISSION OF A CONTRACT AMENDMENT REQUEST TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR FOR THE WELFARE TO WORK PROGRAM AND A CONTRACT EXTENSION UP TO MARCH 2002 WITH APPROPRIATE BUDGET MODIFICATIONS (Welfare to Work Program Contract currently ends on September 2001).

**09-01-04-165. COURT TO DISCUSS AND ACT ON THE FOLLOWING FROM THE PURCHASING AGENT:**

- a. ACTION TO PURCHASE EDUCATIONAL EQUIPMENT FOR THE HEAD START PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,447.78 FROM THE EDU-SOURCE CORPORATION.
- b. ACTION TO SOLICIT BIDS FOR TWO 2001 MOTORCYCLES FOR THE WEBB COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT.
- c. ACTION TO SOLICIT BIDS TO LEASE ONE PORTABLE BUILDING FOR THE HEAD START PROGRAM.
- d. ACTION TO SOLICIT BIDS FOR ONE 59 PASSENGER CONVENTIONAL BUS FOR THE JUVENILE JUSTICE ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM.
- e. ACTION TO AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASING AGENT TO PURCHASE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS FOR RISK

**MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT FOR A TOTAL  
AMOUNT OF \$9,549.50:**

<b>ITEM</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
<b>Cotton Caps</b>	<b>\$322.50</b>
<b>Squeeze Bottle</b>	<b>\$258.00</b>
<b>Travel Mugs</b>	<b>\$397.50</b>
<b>Snap Key Ring</b>	<b>\$422.50</b>
<b>Magnifying Ruler</b>	<b>\$440.00</b>
<b>Wrist Gliders</b>	<b>\$927.50</b>
<b>Portfolio</b>	<b>\$1,185.00</b>
<b>Pillbox</b>	<b>\$441.25</b>
<b>Bottle Holder</b>	<b>\$555.00</b>
<b>Bus. Card Magnets</b>	<b>\$185.00</b>
<b>Wrist Rest</b>	<b>\$522.50</b>
<b>Radio</b>	<b>\$04.50</b>
<b>Goody Bags</b>	<b>\$380.00</b>
<b>Koozie Lunch Sack</b>	<b>\$155.00</b>
<b>Pencils</b>	<b>\$191.39</b>
<b>T-Shirt</b>	<b>\$544.51</b>
<b>Highlighter</b>	<b>\$131.07</b>
<b>Folding Golf Umbrella</b>	<b>\$473.22</b>

<b>Safety First Aid Kit</b>	<b>\$331.00</b>
<b>Stress ball Pen</b>	<b>\$334.19</b>
<b>Smiley Face Stress Ball</b>	<b>\$378.36</b>
<b>Mini First Aid Kit</b>	<b>\$569.51</b>

- f. ACTION TO AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASING AGENT TO PURCHASE ONE TWO HORSE TRAILER FOR THE HORSE AND CARRIAGE PROGRAM FROM DANIEL A. GONZALEZ , OF ZAPATA, TEXAS IN THE AMOUNT \$3,300.**
- g. ACTION TO APPROVE THE PROPOSED COLOR SCHEME FOR THE NEW WEBB COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING PRESENTED BY ROBERT SEPULVEDA FROM SEPULVEDA AND ASSOCIATES.**

**10.01-04-166. COURT TO DISCUSS AND ACT ON THE FOLLOWING FROM THE COUNTY ATTORNEY:**

- a. ACTION TO APPROVE LINE-ITEM TRANSFER:**  
**FROM: ACCT# 001-1101**  
**6028 (witness expense) \$450.00**  
  
**TO: ACCT# 001-1101**  
**6022 (prof.services) \$450.00**

- b. ACTION TO ENTER INTO AN ENGINEERING CONTRACT, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$67,000.00 WITH SHERFERY ENGINEERING CO. L.L.C. FOR DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OVERSIGHT OF THE TANQUECITOS I WASTEWATER COLLECTION LINE PROJECT FUNDED BY THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS (TCDP Contract # 720155) WHICH WILL PROVIDE FIRST TIME PUBLIC SEWER SERVICE TO 59 HOUSE- HOLDS IN COLONIA TANQUECITOS AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO EXECUTE ALL RELEVANT DOCUMENTS Requested by Economic Development Dept.)**
- c. ACTION TO ENTER INTO AN ENGINEERING CONTRACT, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$29,978.00 WITH WSBC CIVIL ENGINEERS, INC., FOR DESIGN OF DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS WITH THE WEBB COUNTY SELF HELP CENTER'S TARGET AREA BEING TANQUECITOS I & II, SAN CARLOS SAN ENRIQUE LOS ALTOS AND THE RAMIREZ TRACT FUNDED BY THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS (TCDP Contract # 718003) AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO EXECUTE ALL RELEVANT DOCUMENTS (Requested by Economic Development Dept.)**
- d. ACTION TO ENTER INTO A LEASE PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH ASSOCIATES COMMERCIAL CORPORATION FOR TWO MOTOR GRADERS AND ONE PAVER AS BID AND AWARDED BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT ON FEBRUARY 12, 2001 AT A COST OF \$326,3369.99 PAYABLE IN 12 QUARTERLY PAYMENTS AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO EXECUTE ALL RELEVANT**

**DOCUMENTS (Requested by the Purchasing Agent).**

- e. **ACTION TO ENTER INTO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS BETWEEN WEBB COUNTY FOR THE HEAD START PROGRAM AND DR. TIMOTHY BROWN, DR. LUIS E. FLORES AND DR. DENISE L. BRADLEY TO PROVIDE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES TO CHILDREN ENROLLED IN THE WEBB COUNTY HEAD START PROGRAM FOR A TERM BEGINNING MARCH 1, 2001 AND ENDING JULY 31, 2001, AT THE REDUCED FEES AS SPECIFIED IN THE AGREEMENTS, AND ORDERING, AS PER V.T.C.A. LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE § 262.024 AN EXEMPTION FROM V.T.C.A. LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE §262.023 (competitive bidding/competitive proposal requirements), AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL RELEVANT DOCUMENTS (Requested by Head Start).**
  
- f. **ACTION TO RECONSIDER THE COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION OF DECEMBER 11, 2000 APPROVING LEASE AGREEMENT # 332-10158-E11D-LAREDO, BETWEEN WEBB COUNTY, LESSOR, AND THE STATE OF TEXAS, LESSEE, FOR APPROXIMATELY 352 SQUARE FEET OF SPACE, BEING ROOM 109, AT THE WEBB COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER FOR USE BY THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS, FROM NOVEMBER 15, 1998 TO NOVEMBER 14, 2001 AT A YEARLY RENTAL OF \$10.00 BY EXTENDING THE LEASE TO NOVEMBER 14, 2002 AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO EXECUTE ALL RELEVANT DOCUMENTS.**

- g. ACTION TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE OILTON RURAL WATER SUPPLY CORP. TO CONVEY ONE BACKHOE TRACTOR TO INSURE THE PROPER MAINTENANCE AND DELIVERY OF WATER SERVICES TO THE RESIDENTS OF OILTON AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO EXECUTE ALL RELEVANT DOCUMENTS.**
- h. ACTION REGARDING OIL AND GAS TAX LAWSUITS FILED BY COUNTY AND CONSULTATION WITH RETAINED LEGAL COUNSEL JAMES K. JONES AND ANY MATTERS INCIDENT THERETO (Executive Session pursuant to Title 5, Subchapter D, Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, Consultation with Attorney).**

**THE COMMISSIONERS COURT MAY MEET IN CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT §551.071 (consultation with attorney), 551.072 (deliberation regarding real property), §551.074 personnel matters) and §551.075 (consultation with employees), ON ALL MATTERS DEEMED NECESSARY BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT.**

**PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES WHO PLAN TO ATTEND THIS MEETING AND WHO MAY NEED AUXILIARY AID OF SERVICE SUCH AS INTERPRETERS FOR PERSONS WHO ARE DEAF OR HEARING IMPAIRED, READERS, OR NEED LARGE PRINT ARE REQUESTED TO CONTACT THE COURT ADMINISTRATOR AT (956) 721-2503.**

**ADJOURNMENT**